

## The Palatka News and Advertiser

### City Happenings and Personal Mention.

A. D. Wells of Orange Springs was here early in the week.

Roy E. Bury is up against a severe attack of fever.

Justice Emory Green of Welaka was in the city yesterday.

Henry Miller of Welaka was a visitor in the city the past week.

Mallory Flowers of Dupont, spent Sunday in the city with home folks.

Hon. W. H. Cook of Panama was in the city on business yesterday.

Mrs. Bond and daughter, Miss Ona, returned from Jacksonville last Saturday afternoon.

L. D. Haines and sister, Miss Ida M. Haines, of Northfield, N. H., are in the city for the winter.

J. W. Glisson, leading citizen, merchant and mill man of Bostwick, was in the city yesterday.

Mrs. Bennett, a former resident of Palatka, is here spending the winter with her daughter, Miss Alice Bennett.

Mrs. Frederick Latham of Punta Gorda, is expected to arrive in the city in a few days to spend a short while with relatives.

Mrs. Edward Crutcher and infant son, of West Palm Beach, are in the city on a visit to Mrs. Crutcher's parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. G. Phillips.

This office is indebted to the Ladies Aid Society of the Methodist church for a nice plate of cake and fruit sent to us from the bazaar last Saturday.

There was an exhibition in this city last Saturday a sweet potato which tipped the beam at 7 1/2 pounds. The tuber was grown in Palatka by C. H. Wigg.

A. V. Driver the big turpentine operator of Crescent City was in the city yesterday with his brother, Mr. W. B. Driver, a leading merchant of Selma, N. C.

Mrs. Joseph Marvin, sister of Mr. G. Loper Bailey and mother of Con. B. Marvin of this city is visiting at the home of Mrs. Julia F. Loper on Emmett street.

Mrs. James A. Close and Miss Elizabeth Close returned to their home in Crescent City last Saturday after a pleasant visit of 10 days with Mrs. M. C. White.

Mrs. Hermann Lynn of St. Augustine, who has been here for the past two or three weeks on a visit to her mother, Mrs. L. A. Fry, returned home on Saturday.

William Turnage, of Miami, has accepted a position as salesman with the Kennedy Hardware Company, Mr. Turnage, who is a young man, entered upon his duties last Monday.

Rev. N. J. Tilghman occupied the pulpit of St. James M. E. church last Sunday morning, in the absence of Rev. Dr. Honiker, who is visiting in south Florida. There was no evening service.

The government steamer La Roca is in Rice Creek engaged in a battle with the water hyacinths. It will be only after a hard fought battle that this pest will be exterminated.

Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Walton celebrated their cotton wedding on Thursday evening of last week at their home on River street. Many of their friends were present by invitation the same being printed on cotton batting.

Miss Alda Ennis, formerly the manager for the Western Union Telegraph Co. in this city but now occupying a prominent position in the Atlanta telegraph office, is spending a few weeks here with her sister, Miss Leone Ennis.

The many friends of Miss Lillie Stanton were treated by that popular young lady to another boat ride on the river last Saturday. The fast launch "Miss" was pressed into service to carry the young people, and the outing proved an enjoyable one.

The entertainment at the opera house last Friday night, given for the benefit of the public library by Prof. W. Powell Hale, did not disappoint the large audience present. It was an entertainment of rare merit and all who attended came away feeling that they had received many times the value of their money.

A pleasant surprise party was given last Friday night at the home of Miss Maud Fry, on Reid street. All the young people—about 25 in number—report a most excellent time playing games, etc. Misses Kate Duane and Maud Rogers were the young ladies who planned the surprise and carried it to such a successful termination.

Capt. C. R. Meloy, of West Haven, Conn., was in the city Thursday shaking hands with his many friends. Mr. Meloy is stopping this winter at Bridgeport, Fla., at which place he is building a home. We understand that upon completion of the boat the captain intends to start down the east coast of Florida on a pleasure cruise.

Rev. Father John O'Brien spent Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday in St. Augustine in attendance upon the annual session of the diocesan synod of the Catholic church. On Monday night Father O'Brien had as his guests Rev. Father James Fox of Orlando and Rev. Father Bottolaccio, of Ocala, who were also en route to the meeting of the synod.

Mrs. D. M. Coffman, her daughter, Mrs. S. B. Leeper and children, Miss Maude and Master Frank, of Rockwood, Tenn., arrived in the city last week and are pleasantly domiciled at Mrs. H. A. Gray's, on Oak street, where they will spend the winter. Mrs. Coffman and Mrs. Leeper spent last winter here and during that time made many friends, all of whom will be delighted to learn of their return visit and extend to them a hearty welcome.

The Atlantic Coast Line provision car came to grief at Orlando the other day where its manager was arrested while selling merchandise within the town limits without the formality of taking out a city license. The railway officials have promised to abandon this system of furnishing goods to employees and in future will depend on local merchants.

L. A. Smith of this city is a maker of all that is richest and best in confections. His best grade of French candies is as fine as is made by the most celebrated confectioners in the country, and he puts it up in hand-some boxes. These boxes are particularly suited for Christmas gifts. Mr. Smith is now making specially low rates to churches getting up Christmas trees for Sunday schools.

Teachers in the county and other who contemplate attending the state teachers association at Orlando Dec. 28th to Jan'y. 1st, should notify Superintendent Cottingham of their purpose to attend so that he can arrange for reduced railroad rates. Parties are also requested to notify Prof. Cottingham at what station they will want to purchase tickets from.

The entertainment and dance which was to have been given by the Woman's Fortnightly Club for the benefit of the club and the library home fund on November 14th, but which was indefinitely postponed, will take place at the Armory tomorrow (Friday) night, December 12th. A spelling contest by the children of the public school, with music, dancing, etc., will constitute the evening's program. Home made candy, pop corn and lemonade will be sold. General admission 10 cents, children under 12 years free. Twenty-five cents will be charged gentlemen who participate in the dancing. The entertainment will commence at 7:30 sharp.

Miss Eva L. Dunning, a reader and impersonator of note will appear at the Armory Wednesday evening next, December 17th, under the auspices of the local lodges of Knights of Pythias and Odd Fellows. Miss Dunning will be assisted by local talent. Dancing will close the evening's entertainment. The price of admission has been fixed at 25 cents, thus giving practically everybody an opportunity for the evening's enjoyment. Miss Dunning is one of the best known elocutionists in the country and the press is unanimous in paying her high tribute. Her ability is of a high order. She is the daughter of a prominent K. of P. now deceased. The News speaks for Miss Dunning a full house.

### Christmas Money.

Thinking that some of the holders of their new 7 per cent first mortgage gold bonds might desire to use the interest maturing Jan. 1st, 1903 for Christmas expenditures, the Palatka Gas Light & Fuel Co. has very thoughtfully offered to anticipate the payment of the interest. The coupons will be cashed at the East Florida Savings & Trust company's banking offices on and after Dec. 15th, 1902.

### A Stump in Clothes.

Fearnside & Co. in preparation for the change in the organization of that firm, which will be effected January 15th next, have determined to sell their present large stock of reasonable clothing at prices which are bound to move the goods. Some tremendous cuts in prices have been made, as will be seen by a reference to their advertisement. The idea of profit has largely been eliminated from Mr. Fearnside's calculations. What he wants is to rid himself of the goods, and he is going to do it.

### Death of Robert Barnes.

The News was only able last week to briefly mention the fact of Mr. Barnes' death, his demise taking place after the paper had been put on the press.

In his death Palatka has lost another of its substantial and honored citizens, a man who for 18 years had been identified with its business interests, and whose private life constituted a pattern for upright living. For the past several months Mr. Barnes had been in failing health, but his final illness was of only a few days duration. The immediate cause of death was pneumonia. He was 70 years of age and came to Palatka from Binghamton, N. Y., in 1884. At the time of his death he was engaged in the paint, wall paper and glass business. He leaves a wife and several grown children, the latter residing at Binghamton. The body was shipped to that city after brief funeral services at the house, conducted by the Masonic fraternity. His son, Mr. Wm. B. Barnes, arrived here only an hour or two after his father's death. He with Mrs. Barnes, will wind up the business affairs of the deceased, after which Mrs. Barnes will go to Binghamton and make her home with her children.

Gerber & Sons had charge of the funeral arrangements.

### B. J. GROOMS DEAD. Stricken with Pneumonia Last Week—Dies on His 48th Birthday.

Again is Palatka called upon to mourn the death of one of its best known citizens and business men.

B. J. Grooms, since 1878 engaged in the grocery and bakery business here, died at his home at 10:30 Monday night last, Dec. 8th, after an illness of five days, from pneumonia. His sudden and unexpected death has caused widespread sorrow in this city and county where he was generally known and honored by all.

Mr. Grooms was born in this county, a few miles northwest of Palatka, December 8th, 1854, and was therefore 48 years of age on the day of his death. He came to Palatka when a youth, and for a time clerked for Lenthal, at that a leading merchant. In 1878 Mr. Grooms started a small grocery business, to which he later added a bakery. He has been in this business continuously from that time.



Ex-Mayor B. J. Grooms whose death occurred last Monday.

In 1895 Mr. Grooms was elected Mayor of Palatka, giving the city a dignified and progressive administration. He has also served the city with great credit as a member of the board of aldermen.

He always took an active interest in any measure which gave promise of benefiting the city or county, and was in all respects a model citizen.

He owned considerable real estate in the city. He was a member of St. James Methodist Episcopal church, south, a charter member and the first chancellor commander of St. Johns Lodge, No. 8, K. of P., as well as a member of the Masonic fraternity.

Mr. Grooms is survived by his wife and two brothers, Edward of this city and Alonzo, of Jacksonville. The funeral occurred at the residence at 3 p. m. Wednesday, and in the absence of Rev. Dr. Honiker, pastor of the church, was conducted by Rev. N. G. Tilghman. "Jesus Lover of My Soul," and "Nearer, My God, To Thee," favorite hymns of Mr. Grooms, were beautifully rendered by a quartet from the choir of St. James church. There was a large attendance of the friends of the dead man. The Knights of Pythias and Masonic fraternities attended in separate bodies, and at the grave, these fraternities conducted, each, its impressive burial service. The interment was in Westview cemetery.

R. S. Mooney had charge of the funeral.

### Card of Thanks.

I desire to thus publicly thank through the News all those friends of my late husband who were so kindly assiduous in ministering to his comfort in the closing days of his life. I shall always remember their tender solicitude in both his and my behalf.

### A NEW REMEDY.

The old friends of Chamberlain's Cough Remedy will be pleased to know that the manufacturers of that preparation have gotten out a new remedy called Chamberlain's Stomach and Liver Tablets, and that it is meeting with much success in the treatment of constipation, biliousness, sick headache, impaired digestion and like disorders. These Tablets are easier to take and more pleasant in effect than pills, then they not only move the bowels, but improve the appetite and correct any disorders of the stomach and liver. For sale by Ackerman & Stewart druggists.

FOR SALE—Japanese and Common Sugar Cane. C. E. WILCOX, Florahome, Florida. dec 4-8t

Simply to Remind you that

Gay Brothers

is Headquarters for everything in the line of Holiday Table Supplies.

No matter what it is, you can get it of Gay Brothers, Palatka.

## Women Need

a constant supply of blood-making material or their systems break down under the constant drain. The very moment there is lack of blood, or when the blood is impoverished, the signal appears upon the face in sallowness or pallor. The remedy needed is Dr. Harter's Iron Tonic. Nothing else meets this particular condition so well. Use of it has made hundreds of thousands of women look younger and made them feel even younger than they looked. It not only restores strength, energy and beauty, but it is a prompt and certain cure for all ailments peculiar to the sex. It cures because it removes the first cause. It supplies just what nature needs to bring health.

## Dr. Harter's Iron Tonic

strengthens debilitated organs, gives tone and elasticity to muscles and ligaments, rounds out wasted tissues and restores the vigor of the nervous system. It helps quickly and just as surely and permanently.

Loss of appetite, ambition, nervousness, pains in the head, back, kidneys, limbs, muscles, etc., are all cured by Dr. Harter's Iron Tonic.

The following is one of thousands of similar endorsements that we have received:

Houston, Texas, Dec. 4, 1901. "My father has used your medicine since the War, and when I married in December, 1872, I commenced housekeeping with one bottle of Dr. Harter's Iron Tonic, one bottle of his Wild Cherry Bitters, and two boxes of his Little Liver Pills. I am now nearly sixty-two years of age. Looking backward I feel attached to the old medicines and would not change them for any of the new ones made."

Mrs. J. A. Pickett.

(50,000 guarantee that above testimonial is genuine.)

Every bottle of Dr. Harter's Iron Tonic has our "Crescent" trade-mark on the label. Don't accept a substitute—insist on Dr. Harter's. Made only by THE DR. HARTER MEDICINE COMPANY, DAYTON, OHIO. Makers also of Dr. Harter's Wild Cherry Bitters, and other well known Dr. Harter Medicines. FOR SALE EVERYWHERE.

Peach Trees for Sale.

8,000 one-year-old, of the Angel and Spanish varieties, 2 1/2 to 5 feet high, at the low price of 5 Cents Each.

if ordered by January 1st, 1903. Will hold trees for later shipment if 25 per cent of order is forwarded; and balance when ordered to ship. You pay freight or express.

Free stocky, good roots, free from insects, and properly packed.

J. R. STOKES, Palatka, Florida.

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## Genuine Rhode Island Bronze Turkeys

For your Christmas Dinner. Also tender and juicy

Steaks, Chops and Roasts

AT THOS. HOLDEN'S, PALATKA, FLA.

NOTICE.

The Board of County Commissioners will receive bids for their next regular meeting in January for building bridge across the Escambia and Suwannee rivers, from the junction of said rivers to the junction of the Suwannee and Apalachicola rivers, and a 2 to 4 mile section of the right to erect any and all bids.

Go to Mrs. Puddy's, Central Lemon street, for chickens and eggs. Also Groceries.

Would like couple of regular boarders. Mrs. R. R. Brakeman, Kirkland street.

The Great Spirit told the Indians, and they told us about the phenomenal curative powers of OCKLA-WATHA. You can find out about it at the Putnam Pharmacy.

NEW STOCK Most Artistic Designs WALL PAPER

We invite inspection ACKERMAN & STEWART Palatka, Fla.

All Who Have Visited

Mooney's Furniture Store

Lately have been impressed with his fine assortment of Rugs and Mattings, including

Brussels, Smyrnas, Velvets, Wiltons and Axminsters.

Beautiful Patterns in Chinese and Japanese Mattings, Iron Beds, Mattresses, Blankets, Willow Rockers and High Grade Furniture.

The assortment of ART CHAIRS is probably the largest and best selected in Palatka.

Some Pretty Patterns in Linoleum. Varied assortment of Portieres and Window Shades.

The store is literally crowded with new goods, and they will be sold at popular prices.

R. S. Mooney, (Snow's old stand), Palatka, Florida.

Undertaking and Embalming.

## The Coupons

Maturing January 1st, 1903, on our new 7 per cent First Mortgage Gold Bonds will be paid on and after Dec. 15th, 1902, at The East Florida Savings & Trust Co., Palatka, Fla.

Palatka Gas Light & Fuel Co.

Patronize Home Industry

and sleep with a clear conscience on a clean, comfortable bed made by W. N. COFFEY, Florist, Moss or Cotton. If your dealer does not handle them call at the factory opposite court house, Lemon street. Wholesale a specialty. Mattresses made over.

Francis Fiber Mattress Co.

Cold Weather. Good Dry Wood. Solid Comfort.

We have the Wood; you have the comfort. Prices low for the best Pine and Black Jack Oak cut Wood. Orders left 418 Lemon St. will receive prompt attention.

E. O. EARLS & CO.

### NOTICE.

This is to give notice of my intention to sell from my good safe, on or before the 1st day of January, 1903, the following: A Ham Safe and Lock Co. of Cincinnati, Ohio. This safe has been stored in my ivory safe in this city for two years, and I shall sell the safe to pay storage charges thereon. The safe will take place at the Court House door on Saturday, January 3rd, 1903, same being held on Saturday, at 12 o'clock p. m.

W. A. WALTON.

dec 3rd, 1902

## NURSERY STOCK.

A limited number of fine 2 and 3 year old buds of Pineapple and Parson-Brown barked Orange trees on sour stock, 250,000 Cassava seed cane cuttings. Will hold plants for spring delivery in good condition. Grapevines, Painted Roses, and the New Rose Plum.

Write for catalogue, free. Address

The Interlachen Nurseries, J. H. WYLIE, Interlachen, Florida.

Administrator's Notice.

Six months after date, to-wit: on 7th day of May, A. D. 1903, or as soon thereafter as I can be heard, I will sell the County Judge of Putnam County, Florida, my final accounts and vouchers, as the administrator of the estate of Wm. E. Meloy, late of said county deceased, and a 2 to 4 mile section of the right to erect any and all bids.

This 7th day of November, 1902. J. E. LASE, Administrator.

Two Nice Houses for Rent, cheap. Apply to

JOHN C. RAABE, Palatka, Fla.

IF YOU SEND YOUR CHILD

to us with a prescription, you can rest assured it will receive the same careful attention that it would if you came yourself. We do not believe in substitution. We believe in only the best, purest and most reliable drugs that it is possible to buy. Our stock is in keeping with our belief.

REX POROUS PLASTERS King of All Plasters

will give immediate relief. They are carefully medicated in a manner which permit the pores of the skin to immediately absorb the proper medication. For coughs and colds; for aches and pains.

City Drug Store.

If Bread is the Staff of Life

You want your staff reliable. You can always rely on Livingston's Bread's being good—sweet and wholesome. We make equally good

Rolls, Cakes, Doughnuts and Pies.

Bring us your Christmas order and see how well we will attend to your wants in the Bread, Cake or Pie line.

LIVINGSTON'S BAKERY, Lemon Street, Between 3d and 4th. PALATKA, FLA.

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## Finest Display of Holiday Goods

In Palatka

Now on Exhibition at

ROWTON'S

Come and See Them

Our Stock is Complete

Toys, Dolls, Fancy Goods and Good Goods at Low Prices.

Special Discount to Sunday Schools. FIRE WORKS

Remember the place

Chas. E. Rowton, PALATKA, FLA.

Leo Jacobson Leads—others follow.

## Our Dress Goods Department

is stocked with the Newest Materials and most exclusive patterns. Ladies who appreciate style and quality combined with popular prices always see Leo Jacobson.

During the Frosty Weather Blanket and Comfort

talk is appropriate. We are short on talk but long on Blankets and Comforts. If you want them and at the right prices, you will certainly consult Leo Jacobson.

Of course, we have goods appropriate for Christmas Gifts—Ladies Toilet Sets, Manicure Sets, etc. Visit us and you will understand why we lead and others attempt to follow

LEO JACOBSON'S

Bargain Dry Goods House, Lemon Street, Palatka, Fla.

## Christmas is Near!

Santa Clause is sure to come and please the little ones. It's more of a task to please older folk, but suppose you step around the corner on Front street to

F. A. GERBER & SONS' FURNITURE HOUSE.

More than likely you will find just what you want in one of our pretty pieces of Art Furniture, Lamps or Rugs.

We have many beautiful things any one of which will measure up to your idea of a suitable Holiday Gift. Suppose you see us.

F. A. Gerber & Sons, Palatka, Florida.

## Have You Given Your CHRISTMAS DINNER

much thought?

Most people have, and the thoughtful ones have come to the conclusion that the big Grocery Store of

J. R. CONE & SON

is the place to get everything needed for an elegant XMAS DINNER at the least cost. We can furnish everything from the

Turkey to the Toothpick.

All goods delivered free to any part of the city.

J. R. CONE & SON, Phone 87. 417 Lemon Street, PALATKA, FLORIDA.

## SMITH'S

For Fine Confections Put up in Handsome Boxes For Christmas Presents.

Fruits of all Kinds—and Nuts. FIRE WORKS.

Specially low prices for Candies to Churches and Societies having Christmas trees.

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